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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 9 and 11 and add claims 13-16 as follows:

9. (AMENDED) A method of evaluating the physical stability of a protein formulation comprising:

(a) preparing a statistically relevant number of identical samples of a protein formulation to yield a first sample type, wherein the protein is susceptible to changes in its native conformation yielding non-native conformers of the protein;

(b) preparing a statistically relevant number of identical samples of at least one other protein formulation that differs from the first sample type to yield a second, or more, sample types, wherein